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## REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the Non-Final Office Action mailed March 26, 2008, the shortened statutory period for which runs until June 26, 2008, please reconsider the subject application in light of the amendments and remarks herein.

- Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.
- · Remarks begin on page 14.